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Re:

U.S. Non-Provisional Utility Patent Application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b)

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For: Human Tumor Necrosis Factor Receptor-Like Genes

Inventors:

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Sir:

The following documents are forwarded herewith for appropriate action by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office:

1. U.S. Utility Patent Application entitled:

Human Tumor Necrosis Factor Receptor-Like Genes

and naming as inventors:

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the application comprising:

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- i. 199 pages of description prior to the claims;
- ii. 4 pages of claims (18 claims);
- iii. a one (1) page abstract;
- b. <u>11</u> sheets of drawings: (Figures 1A, 1B, 2A, 2B, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 9);
- c. <u>12</u> pages of a paper copy of the sequence listing;
- d. A computer readable copy of the sequence listing. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.821(f), the paper copy of the sequence listing and the computer readable copy of the sequence listing submitted herewith in the above application are the same;
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Respectfully submitted,

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